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WAR is terrible, no one wants to see it, but rather than resort to a cowardly backdown when it is known our government is in the right, we should have war.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT has stated his intention of resigning his office as assistant secretary of the navy to accept a commission for active service in the army in the coming collision with Spain.

COMMODORE SCHLEY, of the flying squadron, said to a friend the other day: "When we go into action my signal to the other ships of the squadron will be 'Remember the Maine.'" This, he added, would make his men fight as American seamen never fought before.

AS SOON as the news of the crisis between Spain and America reached Hong Kong all the old rebels from the Philippines who had sought an asylum in that city, suddenly disappeared, and the next Hong Kong knew was that another violent insurrection had broken out in the provinces near Manila.

THE following is from the pen of a Missouri editor: "Drink, and the good drink with you, swear off and you go it alone, for the bar-room hum who drinks you run has a quinine dose of his own. Feast, and you it on is many fast and they eat you dead; they'll not get mad if you treat them bad, so long as their stomachs are fed. Stead if you get a million, for then you can furnish bull; its the great thief who gets out on leave, while the little one goes to jail. Advertise, and the dollars will come; quit and they fail to arrive; for how are men who have money to spend going to know you are still alive."

WAR still seems as far off as ever, and no definite conclusion will be arrived at in congress before the last of the week. While it is true the senate has done its duty by passing the resolutions acknowledging the independence of Cuba, and that Spain withdraw its troops from the island. This resolution has to be acted on in the house and then receive the sanction of the president before it can become law. The outcome of the bill in the house cannot be told at present, while the president has, according to press reports, already stated that he will veto any measure that contains the acknowledgement of the independence of the Cuban republic. Should the house pass the bill and president veto it then it would have to be taken back to the senate and house and passed by a two-thirds majority which, judging from the vote in the senate, cannot be accomplished. This will throw the matter back to its starting point, and the lives of 200 of our brave American sailors will still go unavenged.

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Tobacco is one of the few luxuries enjoyed to any large extent by the poor. It will be taxed in case of war. The supreme court says the income of the rich cannot be taxed.

ONE hundred and twenty-three years ago today the first battle of the revolutionary war was fought at Lexington, and again on the date has begun hostilities against the Spanish government by the American people.

Out of thirty cases handled by the supreme court at Phoenix last week there was only one case from Cochise county, that of Jas. Riley versus the county, in which the decision of the lower court was sustained.

THE American Express company have notified all employees who care to enlist as members of the national guard and naval reserve that they will be retained on the pay roll on half pay, and at the end of enlistment will be taken back to their old positions on full pay.

THE supreme cause for the United States to act against Spain is the murdering of 280 of our officers and sailors aboard the battleship Maine, anchored in the harbor of Havana. Avenger this dastardly and heinous crime and Cuba will be free. Lives cannot be purchased with money considerations, but they can be avenged with blood. The patriots of America have rendered that verdict, and it remains for the sentence to be carried out, severe as it may be.

Most loyal and prompt is the response of the militia to the roll call of the forty-five states of the union. The answer "Ready!" rings out clear and eager in all the roster of federated commonwealths. One impulse of patriotism and a single chord of patriotic well north and south east and west, in a national bond that no domestic differences nor sectional traditions can divide. This welding of the imperial republic is itself a thousand times worth the cost of even the threat of war with an external foe.

THE Bisbee volunteer's need not be too anxious to go to the front; they might find plenty to do in this vicinity in case of war with Spain. Being near the line Bisbee might suffer from the hands of marauders or Spanish sympathizers. This suggestion is made from a cent talk that have been made by some who are Spanish sympathizers. It might be best for those who have a friendly feeling for the Spanish government to leave this country before war is declared, as they will not fare very well with the patriots of Arizona should they show the least sign of an insult to this country or its flag.

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THE currency bill prepared by the subcommittee of the committee on banking and currency, which was this week introduced in the house, follows largely the recommendations of the so-called "monetary conference," which met at Indianapolis, as to the establishment of an issue and redemption division in the treasury department, the substitution for present legal tender notes of an issue to be known as reserve notes and amendments to the national banking laws. This bill has just about as much chance to become a law during the life of the present congress as Spain has to whip the United States. The redemption feature of the bill strikes the lay reader as being absurd. It provides that the legal tender notes and standard silver dollars shall be redeemed in gold, upon demand, and then expressly stipulates that silver certificates shall not be redeemed in gold. Just refer to the face of a silver certificate and you will see that they represent silver dollars, deposited with the United States treasury and payable upon demand to the holder of the certificate. Therefore, should this wise bill become a law, all the holders of silver certificates who wished them redeemed in gold would have to do would be to first demand standard silver dollars for them and then get the gold for the silver dollars. A measure containing a clause so manifestly absurd is not calculated to inspire public confidence in other sections, where the absurdities could not be so readily discovered before they were put into practical operation; but come to think, the Indianapolis convention that fathered these ideas, did not inspire any confidence outside of the bondholders and bankers who footed its bills.

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T. E. ROWAN,
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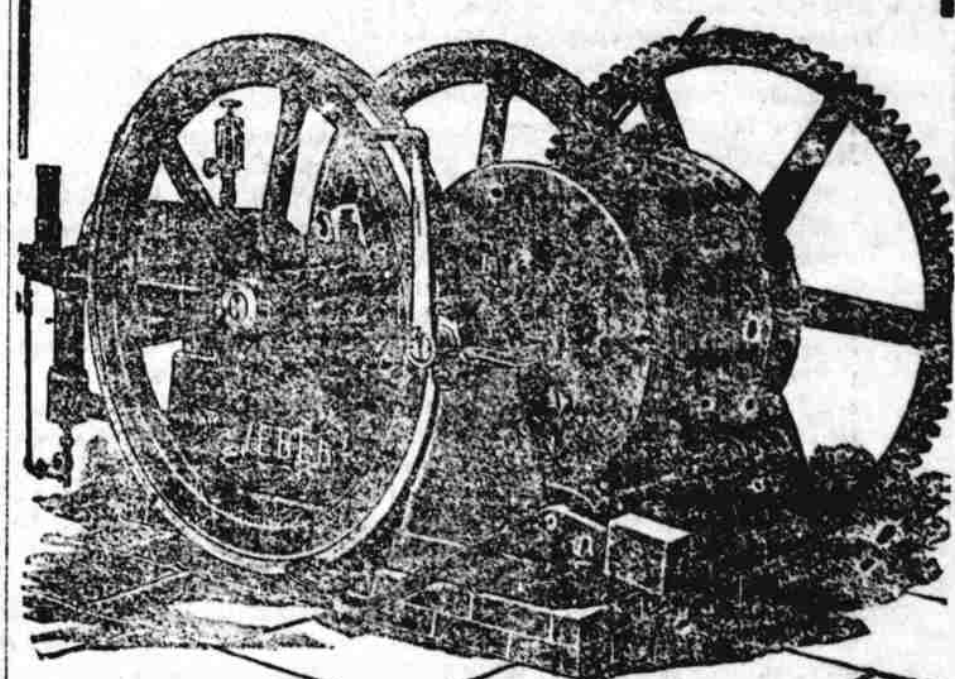
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